

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please replace the claims with the claims provided in the listing below wherein status, amendments, additions and cancellations are indicated.

1. (Currently Amended) Spread comprising ~~containing at least:~~

[[-]] ~~one~~ a beverage;

[[-]] a sugar or sweetening agent;

[[-]] a thickening agent;

[[-]] an acidification agent;

[[-]] a cola aroma;

caffeine; and

tourine.

2. (Currently Amended) Spread comprising: ~~according to claim 1,~~
~~wherein the beverage is an alcoholic beverage or a non-alcoholic beverage,~~
~~preferably composed of water, milk, fruit juice or vegetable juice~~ a beverage;

trehalose;

a thickening agent;

an acidification agent; and

a cola aroma.

3. - 11. (Canceled).

12. (Currently Amended) Spread according to ~~produce a spread~~
according to ~~claims~~ claim ~~[[10]]~~ 22, made by the process comprising wherein
~~the following steps are involved:~~

- a) ~~Preparing~~ preparing an initial spread ingredient in proportions of weight of 100 parts water;
- b) ~~Mixing~~ mixing a second spread ingredient in proportions of weight of 20 parts sugar, 1.6 parts carob bean flour and 1.6 parts pectin~~[[.]]~~;
- c) ~~Stirring~~ stirring in the second spread ingredient in accordance with step b) into the first spread ingredient in accordance with step a) and bringing the resultant mixture to a boil~~[[.]]~~;
- d) ~~Adding~~ adding a third spread ingredient in proportions of weight of 40 parts starch syrup, 20 parts sugar, 40 parts applesauce, and 20 parts caramel syrup to the mixture in accordance with step c)~~[[;]]~~ and dissolving the third spread component by stirring the resultant mixture and bringing it to a boil~~[[.]]~~;

- e) ~~Mixing~~ mixing a ~~forth~~ fourth spread ingredient composed of 1.5 parts citric acid, 0.9 parts cola aroma, 0.6 parts caramel aroma and 0.1 ~~part~~ parts lime aroma[.]; and
- f) ~~Adding~~ adding and ~~stirring~~ the ~~forth~~ fourth spread ingredient to ~~or with~~ the boiled mixture in accordance with step d), stirring the resultant mixture, and decanting ~~the~~ a finished spread at a temperature of ~~approximate~~ approximately 85°C.

13. (Currently Amended) Process to produce a spread according to claim [[10]] 23, comprising: ~~wherein the following steps are involved:~~

- a) ~~Preparing~~ preparing an initial spread ingredient of 100 parts milk in proportions of weight[.];
- b) ~~Stirring~~ stirring in and dissolving 50 parts of isomalt in proportions of weight to obtain a first spread ingredient;
- c) ~~Mixing~~ mixing a second spread ingredient in proportions of weight of 7 parts cornstarch, 1.6 parts pectin and 0.2 parts aspartame[.];
- d) ~~Stirring~~ stirring in the second spread ingredient in accordance with step c) into the first spread ingredient in accordance with step b).

- e) ~~Adding~~ adding a third spread ingredient in proportions of weight of 60 parts sorbite to the mixture in accordance with step d)[[:]] and bringing the ~~third spread component~~ resultant mixture to a boil while stirring; and[[:]]
- f) ~~Adding~~ adding and stirring in a ~~forth~~ fourth spread ingredient composed of 20 parts nut-nougat cream, 0.2 parts cola aroma and 1 part caramel aroma to ~~or with~~ the boiled mixture in accordance with step e) and decanting ~~the~~ a finished spread.

14. (Currently Amended) Spread ~~Process to produce a spread~~ according to claim 13, wherein the dissolving in accordance with step b) is done at a temperature of approximately 60°C,

the bringing to a boil in accordance with step e) is for a time period of approximately 5 seconds, and

the decanting in accordance with step f) is done at a temperature of approximately 85°C.

15. (Currently Amended) Spread according to claim 1, wherein the sugar comprises ~~is preferably composed of the substance~~ trehalose, ~~and or~~ the sweetening agent is ~~a sugar substitute, preferably~~ mannitol, xylite, sorbite,

isomalt, lactitol, [[or]] starch syrup, ~~or the sweetening agent is a sweetening substance, preferably~~ cyclamate, aspartame, saccharin or acesulfam potassium.

16. (Currently Amended) Spread according to claim 1, wherein the thickening agent comprises ~~is preferably~~ agar-agar, gum Arabic, pectin, guar flour, carob bean flour, starch, dextrin or gelatin.

17. (Currently Amended) Spread according to claim 1, wherein the thickening agent comprises ~~contains~~ carob bean flour and pectin ~~or pectin and cornstarch.~~

18. (Currently Amended) Spread according to claim 1, wherein the acidification agent comprises ~~contains~~ citric acid, tartaric acid and/or lactic acid.

19. (Currently Amended) Spread according to claim 1, further comprising ~~wherein a fruit mixture contains~~ applesauce, ~~and/or a nougat mixture such as mixtures composed of~~ nut nougat, almond nougat, almond-nut-nougat or sweetened nut pulp ~~especially a nut-nougat cream.~~

20. (Currently Amended) Spread according to claim 1, further comprising ~~wherein a food-coloring agent is contained preferably in the form of~~ caramel syrup.

21. (Currently Amended) Spread according to claim 1, further comprising ~~wherein additional aroma substances are contained, preferably~~ ~~caramel aroma and/or lime aroma, and/or stimulating substances, preferably~~ ~~caffeine and taurine.~~

22. (Currently Amended) Spread according to claim 1, wherein the following ingredients in proportions of weight are contained:

100 parts water

20 parts sugar

1.6 parts carob bean flour

1.6 parts pectin

40 parts starch syrup

20 parts sugar

40 parts applesauce

20 parts caramel syrup

1.5 parts citric acid

0.9 parts cola aroma

0.6 parts caramel aroma

0.1 ~~part~~ parts lime aroma

23. (Currently Amended) Spread according to claim 1, wherein the following ingredients in proportions of weight are included:

100 parts milk

50 parts isomalt

7 parts corn starch

1.6 parts pectin

0.2 parts aspartame

60 parts sorbite

20 parts nut-nougat cream

0.2 parts cola aroma

1 ~~part~~ parts caramel aroma

24. (New) The spread according to claim 1 wherein said sugar or sweetening agent comprises trehalose.

25. (New) The spread according to claim 1, wherein said sugar or sweetening agent comprises mannitol, xylite, sorbite, isomalt, lactitol or starch syrup.

26. (New) The spread according to claim 1, wherein said sugar or sweetening agent comprises cyclamate, aspartame, saccharin or acesulfame potassium.

27. (New) The spread according to claim 25, wherein said sugar or sweetening agent comprises sorbite.

28. (New) Spread according to claim 16, wherein said thickening agent comprises guar flour.

29. (New) Spread according to claim 1, wherein said thickening agent comprises pectin and cornstarch.

30. (New) Spread according to claim 1, further comprising applesauce and nut-nougat cream.

31. (New) Spread according to claim 1, further comprising almond nougat.

32. (New) Spread according to claim 1, further comprising nut-nougat cream.

33. (New) Spread according to claim 1, further comprising curd cheese.

34. (New) Spread according to claim 1, wherein said beverage includes water, milk, fruit juice, or vegetable juice.